

## BENZOQUINONE

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Shipping Name: Benzoquinone
Other Names: 1,4-Benzoquinone
p-Benzoquinone

1,4-Cyclohexadiene dioxide

Quinone



#### Hazards:

- Container may explode when exposed to fire
- Irritating to skin, eyes, nose and lungs
- Vapors are heavier than air and will collect and stay in low areas

# Awareness and Operational Level Training Response:

- Stay upwind and uphill
- Determine the extent of the problem
- Isolate the area of release or fire and deny entry
- Remove all ignition sources
- For container exposed to fire evacuate the area in all directions because of the risk of explosion
- Notify local health and fire officials and pollution control agencies
- If contaminated runoff enters waterways, notify downstream users of potentially contaminated water

#### **Description:**

- Greenish-yellow solid
- Chlorine-like odor
- Sinks in water and is slightly soluble in water
- Very flammable
- Vapors are heavier than air and will collect and stay in low areas

### **Operational Level Training Response:**

RELEASE, NO FIRE:

- Cover material to protect from wind, rain or spray
- Prevent contaminated runoff from entering sewers and waterways if it can be done safely well ahead of the release
- Ventilate confined area if it can be done without placing personnel at risk

#### FIRE:

- Use water or foam to extinguish
- Cool exposed containers with large quantities of water from unattended equipment or remove intact containers if it can be done safely
- If cooling streams are ineffective (unvented container distorts, bulges or shows any other signs of expanding), withdraw immediately to a secure location

#### First Aid:

- Provide Basic Life Support/CPR as needed
- Decontaminate the victim as follows:
  - Inhalation remove the victim to fresh air and give oxygen if available
  - Skin remove and isolate contaminated clothing (including shoes) and wash skin with soap and large volumes of water for 15 minutes
  - Eye rinse eyes with large volumes of water or saline for 15 minutes
  - Swallowed do not make the victim vomit
- Seek medical attention

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